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H. R. 11472

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ASHLEY (for himself and Mr. REES) introduced the following bill; which
was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency

A BILL

To amend the Export Control Act of 1949.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 SECTION 1. The Export Control Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C.
4 App. 2021-2032) is amended as follows:

5 (1) Section 1 is amended to read as follows:

6 "FINDINGS

7 "SECTION 1. The Congress finds that—

8 "(1) the availability of certain materials at home
9 and abroad varies so that the quantity and makeup of
10 United States exports and their distribution among im-
11 porting countries may affect the welfare of the domestic

1 economy and may have an important bearing upon ful-
2 fillment of the foreign policy of the United States;

3 “(2) the unrestricted export of materials without
4 regard to whether they have significant military applica-
5 bility may adversely affect the national security of the
6 United States; and

7 “(3) expanded trade in peaceful goods and tech-
8 nology with all countries with which we have diplomatic
9 or trading relations can further the sound growth and
10 stability of the United States economy as well as further
11 its national security and foreign policy objectives.”

12 (2) Section 2 is amended to read as follows:

13 “DECLARATION OF POLICY

14 “SEC. 2. (a) The Congress hereby declares that it is
15 the policy of the United States to use export controls to
16 the extent necessary (1) to protect the domestic economy
17 from the excessive drain of scarce materials; (2) to further
18 the foreign policy of the United States and to aid in fulfilling
19 its international responsibilities; and (3) to exercise the
20 necessary vigilance over exports from the standpoint of their
21 significance to the national security of the United States.

22 “(b) The Congress further declares that it is the policy
23 of the United States to formulate, reformulate, and apply
24 such controls to the maximum extent possible in cooperation
25 with all nations with which the United States has defense

1 treaty commitments, and to formulate a unified commercial
2 and trading policy to be observed by all such nations in their
3 dealings with the Communist nations of the world.

4 “(c) The Congress further declares that it is the policy
5 of the United States to encourage trade in peaceful goods
6 and technology with all countries with which we have diplo-
7 matic or trading relations, except those countries with which
8 such trade has been determined by the President to be
9 against the national interest.

10 “(d) The Congress further declares that it is the policy
11 of the United States (1) to oppose restrictive trade practices
12 or boycotts fostered or imposed by foreign countries against
13 other countries friendly to the United States and (2) to en-
14 courage and request domestic concerns engaged in the export
15 of articles, materials, supplies, or information, to refuse to
16 take any action, including the furnishing of information or the
17 signing of agreements, which has the effect of furthering or
18 supporting the restrictive trade practices or boycotts fos-
19 tered or imposed by any foreign country against another
20 country friendly to the United States.”

21 (3) Section 3 is amended to read as follows:

22 “AUTHORITY

23 “SEC. 3. (a) To effectuate the policies set forth in
24 section 2, the President may prescribe rules and regulations

1 to prohibit or curtail the exportation to all countries from
2 the United States, its territories, and possessions, of any
3 articles, materials, or supplies, including technical data,
4 or any other information. To the extent necessary to further
5 the purposes of this Act, such rules and regulations may
6 apply to the financing, transporting, and other servicing of
7 exports and the participation therein by any person. Such
8 rules and regulations shall provide that express permission
9 and authority must be sought and obtained to export articles,
10 materials, or supplies, including technical data, or any other
11 information, from the United States, its territories and pos-
12 sessions, to any Communist nation if the President deter-
13 mines that such exported item is capable of a significant
14 military application which would prove detrimental to the
15 national security and welfare of the United States. Such rules
16 and regulations shall implement the provisions of section
17 2 (d) of this Act and shall require that all domestic con-
18 cerns receiving requests for the furnishing of information or
19 the signing of agreements as specified in such section must
20 report this fact to the Secretary of Commerce for such action
21 as he may deem appropriate to carry out the purposes of
22 such section.

23 “(b) The rules and regulations authorized by this sec-
24 tion shall provide that the export of a particular item shall

1 not be denied unless there is substantial evidence that the
2 particular exportation is likely to be used for military pur-
3 poses.

4 “(c) The President may delegate the power, authority,
5 and discretion conferred upon him by this Act, to such de-
6 partments, agencies, or officials of the Government as he may
7 deem appropriate.

8 “(d) The authority conferred by this section shall not
9 be exercised with respect to any agricultural commodity, in-
10 cluding fats and oils, during any period for which the supply
11 of such commodity is determined by the Secretary of Agri-
12 culture to be in excess of the requirements of the domestic
13 economy, except to the extent required to effectuate the
14 policies set forth in section 2 (a) (2) or (2) (a) (3) of this
15 Act.”

16 (4) Section 4 is amended to read as follows:

17 “CONSULTATION AND STANDARDS

18 “SEC. 4. (a) In determining what shall be controlled
19 hereunder, and in determining the extent to which exports
20 shall be limited, any department, agency, or official making
21 these determinations shall seek information and advice from
22 the several executive departments and independent agencies
23 concerned with aspects of our domestic and foreign policies
24 and operations having an important bearing on exports.

1 “(b) In authorizing exports, full utilization of private
2 competitive trade channels shall be encouraged insofar as
3 practicable, giving consideration to the interests of small
4 business, merchant exporters as well as producers, and estab-
5 lished and new exporters, and provisions shall be made for
6 representative trade consultation to that end. In addition,
7 there may be applied such other standards or criteria as may
8 be deemed necessary by the head of such department, or
9 agency, or official to carry out the policies of this Act.

10 “(c) In order to enable United States exporters to
11 coordinate their business activities with United States Gov-
12 ernment export control policies, the agencies, departments,
13 and officials responsible for implementing the rules and regu-
14 lations authorized under section 3 of this Act shall, insofar
15 as it is consistent with United States national security—

16 “(1) inform each exporter of any considerations
17 which may cause his export license request to be denied
18 or to be the subject of lengthy examination;

19 “(2) inform each exporter of any circumstances
20 arising during the Government's consideration of his
21 export license application which are cause for denial
22 or for further examination; and

23 “(3) inform the exporter of the reasons for a
24 denial of an export license request.”

(1 (5) Section 5 (b) is amended by changing "Commu-
2 nist-dominated" to read "Communist".

3 (6) Section 12 is amended by changing "1969" to
4 read "1973".

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